

REMARKS

Claims 20, 22-26, 53, 54 and 56-60 are pending.

Double Patenting

The Examiner provisionally rejects claims 20, 22-26, 53, 54 and 56-60 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-7 of copending Application No. 11/347,945.

In response, Applicants respectfully submit a copy of the Preliminary Amendment that was filed in copending Application No. 11/347,945, where claims 1-7 are canceled and new claims 8-32 have been added. New claims 8-32 of the copending Application No. 11/347,945 correspond to claims 28-52 of the present application as originally filed and withdrawn in response to a Restriction Requirement. Later, claims 28-52 have been cancelled in response to the Final Office Action dated November 4, 2005.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the provisional double patenting rejection is respectfully requested and allowance of claims 20, 22-26, 53, 54 and 56-60 at an early date is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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